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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time, a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the requisite fee being enclosed.

Applicant submits concurrently herewith a certified copy and a certified translation of PCT Application No. PCT/JP99/04075, from which the above-referenced patent application claims priority. In connection with the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") filed concurrently herewith and in response to the final Office Action dated August 5, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated December 2, 2005, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows: